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US Embassy report links FVR to plot



Other officers cited in GMA ouster by June

By Norman Bordadora

EARLY ON IN THE YEAR, THE US Embassy in Manila received information linking former President Fidel Ramos to reports of a supposed planned coup against President Macapagal-Arroyo.



Palace now a fortress; eyes no-permit, no-Mass policy

Boncodin testifies on 1-day release of fertilizer fund

Boy nabbed with terror chief, others

Gov't bans duck-raising in migratory bird zones

How to spot avian influenza



WEATHER FORECAST

Labor chief asserts 'takeover' powers

By Jerome Aning

Opposition tells GMA : Thanks but no thanks

By Philip C. Tubeza and Juliet Labog-Javellana

THANKS BUT NO THANKS.

Saying the opposition was not interested in obtaining government positions, House Minority Leader Francis Escudero yesterday turned down President Macapagal-Arroyo's proposal for a government of national unity.

Wrong premise



A WATCHMAN and his dog guard the periphery of the Rodriguez dump in Rizal province. [illegible]

METRO

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Editor: Nestor D. Dipasupil

MMDA DUMPED

Rodriguez offers garbage facility to Metro mayors

By Edson C. Tandoc Jr.

UNABLE TO NEGOTIATE A DEAL WITH THE Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA), the mayor of Rodriguez, Rizal, now wants to talk directly to Metro Manila mayors.

Mayor Pedro Cuerpo said Metro mayors who want to use the Montalban Solid Waste Disposal facility could directly enter into an agreement with him for the "co-ownership" of the 13-hectare dump.

He said this would solve the problem brought about by his decision to ban the MMDA from using the facility.

The mayor banned the MMDA from dumping 1,500 tons of garbage daily at the facility after the agency failed to act on Cuerpo's demand for an increase in tipping fee from P600 to P800 per ton of garbage.

The MMDA also still owed the facility P183 million in unpaid dues, he added.

Enough funding

"I am wondering why the MMDA cannot act on our proposal. The agency has enough funds," Cuerpo said in a phone interview.

The facility, which had serviced 13 towns and cities in Metro Manila, still accommodates garbage from some Rizal towns, which had independent contracts with Rodriguez.

Cuerpo said he was preparing a proposal which he would present to Metro mayors who might want to "co-own" the Rodriguez dump.

He first brought up the idea of co-ownership months ago as a way for local governments in Metro Manila to comply with Republic Act 9003, or the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act.

He said being co-owners of the facility would enable Metro cities and towns to meet the requirements of the law, which mandates each local government to have its own landfill by 2006.

Higher tipping fee

But under Cuerpo's proposal, the tipping fee per ton of garbage would be P800.

Apparently unfazed by its exclusion from using the Rodriguez dump, the MMDA has begun to tap other locally run garbage facilities in Metro Manila.

The MMDA has asked local governments to allow the agency to haul garbage to city controlled dumps and garbage holding areas.

"We (MMDA and mayors) are trying to help one other, and we are maximizing the use of existing dumps," said MMDA Chair Bayani Fernando.

Fernando met with Metro mayors yesterday to tackle the garbage problem and other concerns.

Among the facilities Fernando said could be used to receive the Metro's trash were dumps in Marikina City, Navotas, Carmona in Muntinlupa City, Payatas in Quezon City and transfer stations in Las Piñas City and Tondo in Manila.

Navotas injunction

Meanwhile, the town of Navotas and the private operator of the Navotas Controlled Dumpsite facility won a major victory in court.

Judge Alexander Tamayo of the Malabon Regional Trial Court Branch 19 granted the injunction sought by Navotas Mayor Toby Tiangco and the Philippine Ecology Systems Corp. (Philecol) against fishermen blocking the entry of trash barges into the controlled garbage facility.

Tamayo ordered all those opposing the use of the dump to refrain from "blocking the passage of Philecol's barges to and from the Navotas Controlled Disposal Facility." *With Nestor P. Burgos Jr.* [illegible] *and Nancy C. Carvajal*

While he was not looking

A QUEZON CITY POLICEMAN IS NOW UNDER fire after a detained rape suspect managed to give him the slip.

SPO1 Williams de la Cruz was charged with infidelity in the custody of a prisoner for the escape of Junnel Garcia on Aug. 31 from the Talipapa Police Station on Quirino Highway.

In a complaint filed at the Quezon City prosecutor's office, SPO4 Felino Lucero said De la Cruz, as acting desk officer, was responsible for Garcia's escape between 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

[illegible] Valdez, a detainee at the station, confirmed that De la Cruz had opened the cell door to allow Garcia to talk to his relatives. The suspect has been missing since then. *Ed Tejo*

MTT or TVR, it's just the same, says MMDA

By Tara V. Quismundo

Popular demand

MetroBriefs

'Gunman' in V-bar case seeks dismissal



Firecrackers seized in Binondo raid

Consumers alerted vs bogus appliances

Safety, traffic measures in place for holiday break

Safeguards

Peace and order





MEMORIES EXPO

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Corruption jacking up electricity cost – ADB

By Doris C. Dumlao

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Appeals court censures Garcia

By Armand N. Nocum

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SPORTS

WHAT'S INSIDE



Two La Salle officials claim they're clean

THE TWO DE LA SALLE UNIversity team officials pinpointed by the school as having helped two Green Archers secure their eligibility in the UAAP basketball wars in 2002 maintained their innocence yesterday.





18 feared dead in Diwalwal mine blast

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Why Senate released Gonzales

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Greenpeace ship making RP tour

[illegible]

Correction

[illegible]

Boncodin testifies on 1-day release of fertilizer fund

Hasty departures

Bolante's letter

Willie Villarama

No Palace control

No special treatment

Notorious



Gloria's own ...

'I've Never Been to Me'

Jose Santos a hit

Gov't bans duck-raising …

Project Blue

Communication campaign

15 wetlands

Border controls

Not raising when Noah built ark

How to spot avian influenza

P160-B poultry industry

The WORLD

Suicide bomber kills 5; Israel strikes Gaza

GAZA—ISRAELI PLANES STRUCK THE GAZA strip on Thursday and Prime Minister Ariel Sharon approved a major ground offensive in the West Bank after a suicide attack killed five Israelis.

China says no human bird flu as girl dies

More than bird flu, AIDS, diabetes is Asia's greatest health risk, WHO says



Software giant Microsoft plans online book library







UN meet pledges cash to help quake survivors; shortfall baffles Pakistan

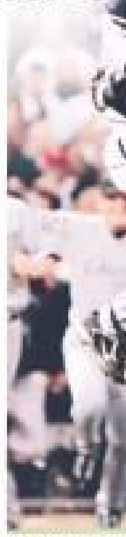
S. Koreans face new worries over nat'l dish kimchi

White Sox champs after 88 years

HOUSTON—The Chicago White Sox are World Series champions again at last, and yet another epic streak of futility is not just wiped away but swept away.



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Cuesta borrows engine, prevails

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Host Manila grabs MYG overall lead

Krzyzewski US coach till 2008

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OPINION



Predictable outcome

A RIVER WILL ALWAYS FIND ITS WAY TO THE SEA. As it is with this law of nature, so it is with the search for truth. And what, exactly, is the truth being sought? Two things: whether or not President Macapagal-Arroyo cheated in the last elections, and whether or not in the wake of the "Hello, Garci" scandal, the administration embarked on a cover-up that continues up to the present.

EDITORIAL

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PET should decide poll protest to end crisis

AS I SEE IT

Neal H. Cruz

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Doing tai'chi in Bellagio

PASSION FOR REASON

Raul C. Pangalangan

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Japan's kamikaze isolation

COMMENTARY

Christoph Bertram

Goodbye, Kalantiaw

PINOY KASI



Michael L. Tan

Stories and values

AT LARGE



Rina Jimenez-David

Using 'aswang' to fight Huks

LOOKING BACK



Ambeth R. Ocampo

Court-martial: a way to treat our heroes

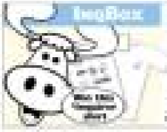
LETTERS

Plants and animals and scientific names

Snap election

VOICES ON INQ7.NET





InqBox

Question of the Week

Do you agree with the dispersal and use of water cannons against a procession by the clergy and citizens in Mendiola last week?



Across the NATION

US power firm loses ₱250-M tax case

BAYOMBONG, NUEVA VIZCAYA—THE PROVINCIAL government has junked the protest filed by an American firm over its payment of ₱250.7 million in real property taxes on its hydroelectric plant in Alfonso Castañeda town.



Fake lawyer faces ₱1M in damages



Itogon seeks share of taxes from mining

'Sardines capital' title fast slipping past Zambo



Profiling of foreigners seen way to stop sex abuse in town

Typhoid kills 2, downs 200

Toll exemption seen way to keep food costs down



Sorsogon execs seek help after cyanide leak from mining site

Study says townsfolk face cholera, diarrhea threats

Ramos, De Venecia, Velarde still GMA allies, says Ermita

US Embassy report links FVR to plot

'Increased rhetoric'

Crying 'Wolf' scenario

Charter change

Palparan: Leftists making me symbol …

Tired of making denials

AFP scenario

Automatic blaming

Hacienda situation volatile

Cojuangco's hand

Let probers do work

Boy, 12, nabbed …

Group bombed SuperFerry

Severe moral effect

Aborted bomb plot

Palace now a fortress; eyes no-permit, no-Mass policy

First Family's protection

Exchange of letters

St. Michael's 'garrison'

'Don't feel intimidated'

Marcos-era dictum

BUSINESS

Editor Raul D. Marcelo

US firm to open a casino at Poro Point



FIESTA Resort Casino in Angono, Rizal

By Roderic W. Dunlap

A CALIFORNIA-BASED gaming company is expected to open a casino and entertainment facility at the Poro Point Freeport Zone in San Fernando, La Union in December this year.

International Thunderbird

Thunderbird's 2nd venture in SE Asia

Gaming Corp. early this year bagged a 25-year contract to build and develop the area's 68.8-hectare tourism complex.

Jeanito Atienza, president of the Poro Point Management Corp., said Thunderbird Gaming Corp. was just awaiting its license from the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corp. and it was ready to open the casino at the freeport on Dec. 15.

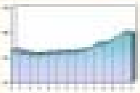
This will be the US firm's second gaming facility in the country. Last April 11, Thunderbird Gaming opened its first casino in Southeast Asia in Binangonan, Rizal called Fiesta Casino Hotel.

"The Pagcor board has already approved the issuance of the license (for the Poro Point casino)," Atienza said. "Thunderbird Gaming is quite ready to start operations."

Atienza added that the company was expected to start in early 2006 the construction of a resort hotel and a number of villas in its commitment phase.

"Thunderbird Gaming is also putting up about P60 million to augment PPMC's program of ...

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OCTOBER



Stocks up 0.38%

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DOF takes prorated approach in corporate tax hike

Due to P4.7B in arrears, SBMA threatens to repossess assets

PGMC gets blessing to put up 3,000 lotto terminals

SMC Aussie unit to double exports

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Disclosures

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Naia 3 opening pushed back yet again



THE NINOY Aquino International Airport Terminal 3

Gov't urged to clarify VAT cap provision

STATEMENT OF CONDITION

(Head Office and Branches)

As of September 30, 2005

US tightens entry rules even more

COCKTALES
Victor C. Agustin

VISITING THE UNITED STATES is beginning to look more and more like visiting a prison camp.

Beginning next month, Northwest and other US airlines will be asking passengers with non-US passports to provide during ticketing their address in the United States and their home address, as well.

Exempted from the address disclosure requirements are passengers transiting in the United States for less than eight hours.

Earlier this month, Northwest also began collecting and transmitting "additional information that is digitally available from a passport or travel document," in addition to the advanced passenger information it has already been forwarding ahead to the US Customs and Border Protection for US-bound flights since 1998.

Besides being fingerprinted and photographed upon arrival, departing visitors are now also being subjected to the same procedure before boarding.

Still, even US citizens are not exempt from the increased security measures.

Zeus Holdings, Inc.

TO ALL STOCKHOLDERS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of *Zeus Holdings, Inc.* will be held on 14 November 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at the 21/F Lepanto Building, 8747 Paseo de Roxas, Makati City.

(Sgd.) Atty. Daisy L. Parker
Corporate Secretary

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Cable TV piracy deprives gov't ₱2.3B in revenue



RP to host world meeting of financial executives

DTI intensifies price monitoring to protect consumers against unscrupulous traders

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE & INDUSTRY

For inquiries and complaints, call the DTI Consumer Assistance Hotline 751-3330

Text: DTI (space) message, send to 2920 for Globe and Smart subscribers

Manufacturing seen up 4.8%

By Michelle V. Remo

Cocktales

Northwest, Continental backtrack

Merry-go-round

Heard through the grapevine

3 of 4 Filipinos consider themselves poor or very poor

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Reasons for poverty

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COMMENTARY

Model farms

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Feasibility studies

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PERSONAL QUALITY OF LIFE

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US firm to open a casino at Poro Point

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Stocks up 0.36%

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Peza: IT projects continue to drive up investments

PLDT cited by Asian magazine

LIFESTYLE

Lito Chelo Banal-Formoso

MONDAY ARTS & BOOKS ■ TUESDAY FITNESS ■ WEDNESDAY 2BU ■ THURSDAY FOOD ■ FRIDAY FASHION & BEAUTY

Ferragamo stages show in the Forbidden City

Milestone event in Beijing reveals a parade of black-and-cream blends, with highlights of purple. Sorry, leftists, but there are no Mao reds

LIFE-STYLED



Thelma Sioson San Juan

WE NEVER THOUGHT we'd see the day when a luxurious fashion show would unfold right under Chairman Mao's nose. But it happened last week in the historic Forbidden City in Beijing, where Ferragamo presented its 2006 Spring/Summer Ready-to-Wear collections—perhaps the first and, it is said, the last time the Forbidden City would be used as a fashion show venue.

"An Evening with Ferragamo-Charity Fashion Party" celebrated the Ferragamo's 10th year in Beijing (the fashion house was one of the first luxury brands to open a store in China when the government began to relax its ban on capitalism). The milestone event was presented with the China Welfare Fund for the Handicapped, an independent, nonprofit organization to help disabled children.

Imagine China's police troops standing at the Tai Miao Ancestral Temple before a panoramic video of Marilyn Monroe, Audrey Hepburn and other Hollywood goddesses who wore Salvatore Ferragamo's shoes—this bizarre juxtaposition was enough to send shivers down the spine.

To someone like us who lived through the "First Quarter Storm" and grew up reading Mao's Red Book and learning about his Cultural Revolution, the experience was unforgettable, almost weird. The uniformed guards, their posture stiff and their expression stern, formed a phalanx, this time not against a militant mob, but against the horde of jostling fashion photographers.

The sight triggered in us an incredible sense of irony. If only our fellow activists of the '70s could see it now: the ideological ravings of our political youth supplanted by—of all things, fashion. And, we must admit, the presence of the guards lent unique-

FERRAGAMO PAGE C4



NEDY Tantoco (second from right) and Patrick Juliano with James Ferragamo and his wife



TAI Miao Ancestral Temple inside the Forbidden City lit up for the Ferragamo show



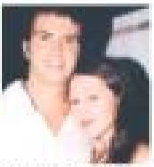
SPIDER web print in black-and-cream theme


RAYMOND Bagatsing and Rudolf Yaptinchay


SOUTHERN prince JM Rodriguez with hot singer Rachel Alejandro















Resto-bar gets new high at 3











WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache



Kiehl's gig

Green reunion



















New formulas offer multiple skin treatments



MAYBELLINE Dream Matte Mousse SPF 14++, Clinique Dramatically Different Moisturizing Gel for oilier skin, and Clinique Clarifying Lotion 3 for oilier skin to exfoliate and polish



MAKEOVER 911

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Clinique

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Biorica

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Foundation

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Must-have accessory for 2006

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MODELS showcase the new Canon Digital Ixus i Zoom at the Philippine Fashion Trends 2006



CANON models Victor Basa and Eman Sepulveda holding their digital cameras

Ferragamo . . .

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Marilyn Monroe

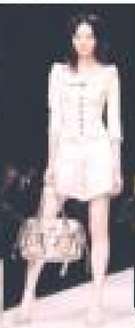
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PURPLE sporty coordinates



WHITE dress with flare skirt



CREAM short and top



BLACK shorts, black and [illegible] top with [illegible] trim



MENSWEAR with a touch of whimsy

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Feminine

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